



## **GOLD COUNTRY**

### **Bald Eagles Make Millerton Lake Winter Home**

California State Parks recently announced that a significant number of Bald Eagles from the frozen wilderness of Northern Canada are returning year after year to make Millerton Lake State Recreation Area their winter home. This announcement comes after years of migration study and California State Parks are urging visitors to take advantage of the opportunity to see our national symbol, in their natural wintertime surroundings. Contact: California State Parks, Kevin Buchanan, (559) 822-2332, [www.parks.ca.gov](http://www.parks.ca.gov).

### **Crocker Art Museum**

Inspired by the beautiful California coastal scenery, the Monterey area between the years of 1875 and 1907, became a haven for artists and retains this legacy today. “Artists At Continent’s End: The Monterey Peninsula Art Colony, 1875-1907” is on display February 17 to May 21, displaying works inspired by Monterey Peninsula’s unique coastal scenery by artists such as Jules Tavernier and Arthur Mathews. Contact: Crocker Art Museum, (916) 264-5423, [www.crockerartmuseum.org](http://www.crockerartmuseum.org).

### **Napa Valley Meets Roseville with Opening of Crush 29**

The Roseville dining scene is adding a new restaurant this spring—Crush 29. This restaurant will feature wine country décor, and include a round bar, three large murals of the Napa Valley, two wine caves, which will seat up to 50 people, a wine library for 12, open display kitchen and two fireplaces. They’ve complemented the great ambience with a Napa Valley-influenced menu of fresh California cuisine with an organic twist. The varied menu offers seafood, steaks, rotisserie, gourmet pizza, pasta and homemade desserts. Crush 29 is open seven days a week for lunch and dinner. Contact: Crush 29, Mark Platt, (916) 787-6126, [mplatt@gnwr.com](mailto:mplatt@gnwr.com).

### **Sacramento Zoo’s Spring Lecture Series**

As part of its spring lecture series, the Sacramento Zoo is offering three “evolutionary” programs. In the first on February 22, Dr. Maureen Stanton, Professor of Evolution and Ecology will present “Science and Non-Science: the Truth Behind Intelligent Design”. On March 22, Dr. Richard Cowen, Senior Lecturer Emeritus in the Geology Department at U.C. Davis will present “The Hard Evidence for Evolution”, which will examine ancestral fossils and why some animal family trees are better understood than others. The final presentation is “History of Evolutionary Thought” by Robin Whittall, Education Director at the Sacramento Zoo and takes place April 26. In this, Whittall will discuss the development of the idea of evolution. All lectures are held on Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 8 p.m. Contact: Sacramento Zoo, (916) 264-5889, [www.saczoo.com](http://www.saczoo.com).